

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic board apparatus for transmitting data representing a handwritten image written on a predetermined board to an external computer, comprising:

5        means for determining whether or not said external computer can receive said data; and  
         storage means for storing said data,  
         wherein if it is determined that said external computer cannot receive said data, said data is stored  
10    into said storage means.

2. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, wherein if it is determined that said external computer can receive said data, said data is not stored into said  
15    storage means but transmitted to said external computer.

3. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising means for determining whether or not said data is stored in said storage means,  
20        wherein if it is determined that said data is stored in said storage means, said data is transmitted to said external computer.

4. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1,  
25    wherein said handwritten image includes at least one of a character, a figure and a table.

5. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, wherein data representing said handwritten image is data of coordinate information of said handwritten image.

5 6. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising display means for displaying said handwritten image based on said data.

7. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 6,  
10 wherein said display means displays said handwritten image based on said data stored in said storage means.

8. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a display device to display said handwritten  
15 image based on said data is connectable to said apparatus.

9. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising data transfer control means for  
20 controlling timing of transmission of data to said external computer.

10. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said data, to which page brake or index  
25 information is added, is stored.

11. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1,

wherein said data storage means is a removable memory card.

12. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1,  
5 wherein said electronic board apparatus is provided at one end of said board.

13. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein said electronic board apparatus is removable  
10 from said board.

14. An electronic board apparatus comprising:  
data generation means for generating data  
representing a handwritten image written on a  
15 predetermined board;  
means for transmitting said data to an external  
computer;  
means for determining whether or not said external  
computer can receive said data; and  
20 storage means for storing said data,  
wherein if it is determined that said external  
computer cannot receive said data, said data is stored  
into said storage means.

25 15. The electronic board apparatus according to claim 14,  
further comprising:

display means for displaying said handwritten

image based on said data; and

selection means for selecting one of a first mode  
and a second mode,

wherein in said first mode, said display means  
5 displays said handwritten image based on said data from  
said data generation means,

and wherein in said second mode, said display  
means displays said handwritten image based on said data  
stored in said storage means.

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16. A data processing method for an electronic board  
apparatus for transmitting data representing a  
handwritten image written on a predetermined board to an  
external computer, comprising the steps of:

15 determining whether or not said external computer  
can receive said data; and

storing said data into storage means provided in  
the electronic board apparatus if it is determined that  
said external computer cannot receive said data.

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17. The data processing method according to claim 16,  
further comprising the step of displaying said  
handwritten image based on said data on a display  
provided on said electronic board apparatus.

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